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SUBJ: INDONESIA: 1978 RICE CROP

1. BASED ON CURRENT FAVORABLE MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR THE DRY SEASON CROP IN WEST AND MUCH OF CENTRAL JAVA AND THE LARGE WET SEASON CROP HARVESTED ON JAVA, THE 1978 RICE CROP IS NOW FORECAST TO REACH 16.75 MMT. THE INITIAL DEPT OF AGR/CENTRAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FORECAST PLACES THE CROP BETWEEN 16.5 - 17.3 MMT BASED ON CONDITIONS AS OF APRIL. WITH THE SINGLE RAINFED CROP IN SULAWESI NOT YET HARVESTED AND LITTLE KNOWN ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE RICE CROP ON THE OUTER ISLANDS, WE FEEL IT IS STILL TOO EARLY IN THE SEASON TO COUNT ON PRODUCTION TOPPING 17 MMT THOUGH PRODUCTION AT THE TOP OF THE RANGE ON THE GOI FORECAST CANNOT BE RULLED OUT.

2. RICE IMPORTS ARE NOW EXPECTED TO REACH 2.5 MMT BUT
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COULD FALL TO ABOUT 2.0 MMT IF THE "BUMPER" DRY SEASON CROP MATERIALIZES. FORECAST FOR CY IMPORTS REMAINS UNCHANGED AT 2.3 MMT.

3. GOVERNMENT HELD STOCKS ARE EXPECTED TO BE REBUILT TO ABOUT ONE MILLION TONS, THE LONG-SOUGHT STOCK TARGET. NEXT SCHEDULED G&F REPORT SHOULD PROVIDE

RELATIVELY FIRM ESTIMATE OF RICE SUPPLY AND
DISTRIBUTION.

4. WHEAT IMPORT ESTIMATE UNCHANGED FROM ID-8038.
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